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**VIA ECF** 

March 3, 2021

The Honorable Ronnie Abrams United States District Judge Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

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Paris Prague Ashland Global Holdings Inc. v. Valvoline, Inc., Case No. 21 cv. 498 (RA)

Dear Judge Abrams,

We represent Defendant, Valvoline Inc., in the above-referenced matter. We write, with Plaintiff's consent, to request adjournments of the Initial Conference set for March 12, 2021, and the filing date of the parties' joint letter and proposed case management plan and scheduling order, both currently due March 5, 2021.

The parties request the adjournments in light of Defendant's motion to dismiss, filed on February 26, 2021 (Dkt. 15 and 16). The parties would appreciate the opportunity to brief the issues raised in this motion before participating in an initial status conference, entering into a case management plan, and commencing potentially unnecessary fact discovery. Accordingly, we would respectfully request adjournments of the Initial Conference and the related deadlines set forth in the Court's February 10, 2021 Order (Dkt. 13), pending resolution of Defendant's motion to dismiss.

Pursuant to your Honor's Individual Rules & Practices in Civil Cases, Defendant includes with this Letter Motion a Revised Order and Notice of Initial Conference. This is defendant's second request for an adjournment, the first one having been granted (Dkt. 13).

We thank the Court for its consideration of this matter.

Respectfully,

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Plaintiff's counsel (by ECF) cc:

Application granted. The initial pretrial conference is hereby adjourned sine die.

SO ORDERED.

Hon. Ronnie Abrams March 4, 2021

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